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**From:** Steiner-Riley, Cara [Steiner-Riley.Cara@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 7/29/2020 12:04:59 AM  
**To:** Brown, Leah [Brown.Leah@epa.gov]; Soden, Caitlin [Soden.Caitlin@epa.gov]; Johnson, Patrick [johnson.patrick@epa.gov]  
**CC:** Li, Beverly [Li.Beverly@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** Fwd: Pebble's Final EIS Released #VetoPebbleMine

Hi team— **Ex. 5 Attorney Client (AC)** Let's set up meeting tomorrow to talk through and figure out roles! Thanks.

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** "Szelag, Matthew" <Szelag.Matthew@epa.gov>  
**Date:** July 28, 2020 at 4:55:27 PM PDT  
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**Cc:** "LaCroix, Matthew" <LaCroix.Matthew@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** FW: Pebble's Final EIS Released #VetoPebbleMine

Hello all,  
I wanted to make sure folks were aware of the email below from Cook Inletkeeper encouraging phone calls to Chris about Pebble Mine.

If there is a desire to pull together additional talking points (whether those be for internal or external use) as Matt LaCroix suggests below, please let me know, and I can help facilitate that.

Please let me know if you have questions. Thanks,

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**From:** LaCroix, Matthew <LaCroix.Matthew@epa.gov>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, July 28, 2020 2:40 PM  
**To:** Szelag, Matthew <Szelag.Matthew@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** FW: Pebble's Final EIS Released #VetoPebbleMine

Matt,

Good afternoon. Based on your email yesterday, Chris Hladick may be receiving phone calls about the Pebble FEIS. Cook Inletkeeper is encouraging people to call Chris directly. Other organizations may be doing the same. I don't know how many groups might be in the "network for good."

It may be worthwhile to develop talking points for Chris to explain that: 1) the EPA will not be issuing the ROD; and 2) EPA is not currently in a position to finalize our CWA 404(c) action and “veto” the Pebble mine. Cook Inletkeeper almost certainly knows these things, but if the email was developed by a third-party, that may explain why it contains the erroneous information it does.

Perhaps EPA could also make some kind of statement with accurate information.

Thanks,

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**From:** Cook Inletkeeper <[mail@networkforgood.com](mailto:mail@networkforgood.com)>  
**Sent:** Friday, July 24, 2020 5:48 PM  
**To:** LaCroix, Matthew <[LaCroix.Matthew@epa.gov](mailto:LaCroix.Matthew@epa.gov)>  
**Subject:** Pebble's Final EIS Released #VetoPebbleMine



**July 24, 2020**

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## **Final Environmental Impact Statement Released**

The final Environmental Impact Statement for Pebble has been released, but the fight is far from over. Now the clock starts ticking. In 30 days the EPA can issue a record of decision and permit the mine... or not. Now's the time to make our opposition to Pebble Mine heard.

**Call the EPA Regional Director Chris Hladick and tell him to veto the Pebble mine. 206-553-1234**

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**Chris Hladick 206-553-1234**

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